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SUBJECT: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON HURSHID NABIEVICH
DOSMUKHAMEDOV, CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF UZBEKISTAN.

11. (U) Summary: On October 2, the Milliy Tiklanish (National Rebirth) Party, one of five registered political parties, all of which support the government, nominated Hurshid Nabievich Dosmukhamedov to be a candidate for the presidency of Uzbekistan. Post has obtained biographical information on Mr. Dosmukhamedov. End Summary.

12. (SBU) Hurshid Nabievich Dosmukhamedov, an ethnic Uzbek, was born in 1951. He studied at Tashkent State University in the Department of Uzbek Philology from 1968 to 1973. After receiving his PhD, he worked at the Publishing House "Fan" ("Science") until 1984, working his way up from Junior Editor to Chief of Section. Dosmukhamedov then served as a correspondent for the newspaper "Qishlok Haqiqati" ("The Village Truth") until 1986. From 1986 to 1995 he worked for the magazine "Yosh Kuch" ("The Young Force") of the Central Committee of Uzbekistan's Komsomol (Young Communist League), rising from Editor of Section to Editor-in-Chief.

13. (SBU) Dosmukhamedov then began work at the Office of the President of Uzbekistan. Between 1995 and 1997, he served there as Consultant, Leading Consultant, and Senior Consultant. From 1997 to 2002, he was Editor-in-Chief of the magazine "Hurriyat" ("The Freedom"). He became co-Chairman of the Public-Political Fund for Support and Democratization of Uzbekistan's Mass Media in 1997 and served in that capacity until 2004. From 2002 to 2005, he worked as Editor-in-Chief of the magazine "Uzbekiston Matbuoti" ("Uzbekistan Press"). Between 2004 and 2005, he was also Deputy Chairman of the Creative Association of Uzbekistan's Journalists, and participated in the Department of State's International Visitors Program during this timeframe. Dosmukhamedov has served as the Chairman of the Milliy Tiklanish ("National Rebirth") Party since 2005. He has also served as Chairman of the Legislative Chamber's committee on information technology since January 28, 2005.

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